

Reveal Missile Facts, Symington Tells U.S.

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— A high-ranking Democratic senator today labeled an intelligence report on Soviet missile progress "a sad and shocking story and the sooner the American people hear about it the better."

Senator Symington (D-Mo.) issued this conclusion after the Senate preparedness subcommittee wound up a closed door session in which it had received a detailed briefing on Soviet armament from Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), and his staff.

Committee Chairman Johnson (D-Tex.), however, would not go as far as Symington.

NO TIME FOR SLEEP

In a resume of the CIA intelligence information, Johnson said:

"This is no time for either sicta or hysteria."

"I thought," Johnson said, "we had received a rather thorough and, I trust, accurate picture of what the intelligence people believe. There is little comfort to be gained from realizing what the facts are concerning the advances the Soviet Union has made in certain respects."

"I shall do all I can to see that the American people receive all the information on the record consistent with national security."

SESSION CLOSED

The CIA analysis of Russian military power, particularly in the fields of missiles, satellites, rockets and atomic planes and submarines, wound up a closed session. Dulles and key CIA staff members told the committee what U.S. agents had been able to learn of Soviet strength and threats to Western security.

One of the key spots in the report as released by Johnson was that the United States

knew some months ago that Russia had the capability and probably was planning to launch earth satellites this year.

The CIA, Johnson added, was certain that the propelling power for a satellite launching would be the same as that used for a Russian intercontinental ballistic missile.

McELROY TO TALK

Later today Defense Secretary McElroy was scheduled to make an appearance before the committee in open session. Still later, it was said, the committee would hear Defense Department testimony behind closed doors when security problems were involved.

Earlier, Johnson had declared that two days of hearings have failed to produce "the who or why" responsible for the U.S. missile lag.

Johnson indicated he was leaning toward the appointment of a missile-and-satellite "czar" with authority second only to the President's.

Both the CIA and Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle emphasized that Soviet military and scientific affairs were enormous. The CIA pointed out that . . . the Soviet production of military goods and services was roughly equal in value to our own, although its gross national product was only 42 per cent of that of the United States," Johnson said.



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